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### Ukraine Streamlines Animal Products Import Procedure

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**Report Highlights:**

Ukraine has canceled import permits for products of animal origin, with the exception of first time imports which are extended from one year to an unlimited time frame. This is the most significant import regime change for the last decade, and may signal a more open environment for trade.

## **General Information:**

As a part of a new focus on deregulation and initiatives to fight corruption, Ukraine's Cabinet of Ministers adopted a Resolution on March 12, 2014 that will simplify imports of products of animal origin. Although not officially published by the GoU, the text of the regulation is already available from the State Veterinary and Phytosanitary Service web page along with explanatory notes.

The Resolution titled "Amendments to the Procedure for Issuing Permits for the Importation on Ukrainian Territory of Animals, Animal products, Reproductive Material, Biological Products, Pathological Material, Veterinary Preparations, Substances, Feed Additives, Premixes and Feeds" amends Resolution 652 adopted on July 1, 2009 which established import permits procedures.

The new resolution contains only two major changes:

- Import of products of animal origin will require permits if the imports to territory of Ukraine just started, meaning that the product was not imported to the territory of Ukraine previously
- The import permit term for these products is extended from one year to unlimited

### ***Remark***

Although these changes will help to speed up the import process for products that are imported for the first time, obtaining a compulsory import permit will remain a requirement in this case. The import permit document will include fields as prescribed by Resolution 652, and similar to those shown in the import certificate:

- 1) Name of the authority that issued the permit;
- 2) Purpose of the importation of goods into the territory of Ukraine;
- 3) Location of the importer, the exporter (place of residence for private individuals);
- 4) Name of the product and its code according to the Harmonized System;
- 5) Customs destination for product clearance;
- 6) Number of units and measurement used for assessment of this number;
- 8) A list of veterinary- sanitary measures that should be taken by the exporter prior to loading and by the importer prior to unloading of imported goods into the territory of Ukraine, certified by international veterinary declaration certificate in addition to those relating to absence of clinical signs of certain notifiable diseases;
- 9) In the case of import to Ukraine of live organisms and pathological material containing pathogens of animals, the following data is required: the name of the product, its code according to the Harmonized System, and list of veterinary and sanitary measures applied by the importer for prevention of uncontrolled spread of the pathogenic agent;
- 10) State border of Ukraine crossing points;
- 11) The date of issue.